

pure God, nor the man only man, but the Son of God and the Incarnate God are one and the same God and man without confusion or division, uniting in Himself substantially the attributes of both natures.

Thus, He is at once uncreated and created, mortal and immortal, visible and invisible, in place and not in place. He has a divine will and a human will, a divine action and a human also, two powers of choosing divine and human. He shows forth divine wonders and human affections--natural, I mean, and pure. Thou hast taken upon Thyself, Lord, of Thy great mercy, the state of Adam as he was before the fall, body, soul, and mind, and all that they involve physically, so as to give me a perfect salvation. It is true indeed that what was not assumed was not healed. Having thus become the mediator between God and man, Thou didst destroy enmity, and lead back to Thy Father those who had deserted Him, wanderers to their home, and those in darkness to the light. Thou didst bring pardon to the contrite, and didst change mortality into immortality. Thou didst deliver the world from the aberration of many gods, and didst make men the children of God, partakers of Thy divine glory. Thou didst raise the human race, which was condemned to hell, above all power and majesty, and in Thy person it is seated on the King's eternal throne. Who was the instrument of these infinite benefits exceeding all mind and comprehension, if not the Mother ever Virgin who bore Thee?"

**Sermon I on the Dormition of Mary
St. John of Damascus, AD 676**



XIV SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

5 SEPTEMBER 2021

10:30 AM SUNG MATTINS

11:00 AM HOLY COMMUNION



The Rev. Fr. Daniel S. Trout, *Rector*

Mr. C. Lance Davis, CAGO, *Music Minister*

The Most Rev. Mark Haverland, Ph.D., *Bishop Ordinary*

Joseph McRoy, *Senior Warden*; Barbara Z., *Junior Warden*; Rebecca Blair, *Treasurer*; Roberta Hannibal, *Secretary*; Beverly Roberts, *Editor*; Lucy Whitehorne, Barbara Cope, *Vestrymen*

Welcome to St. Luke Church, especially if you are a newcomer or visitor. Children of all ages are fully welcome in each liturgy. If you are a visitor, please sign the Guest Book located in the Narthex and fill out a Visitor Card. Newcomer packets are also available upon request. Please refer to the *Book of Common Prayer* (beginning on pg. 67) and the *Hymnal* throughout the Mass. We ask that you please keep prayerful silence in the church both before and after the liturgy. Silence is golden, but especially in church!

THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY

September 8

SUNG MATTINS

¶ The following page numbers relate to “The Daily Office Noted” booklet, unless otherwise stated. The liturgy begins on page 2 of the booklet. Please observe all postures as noted in that booklet.

¶ Please stand as the bells are rung.

Opening Sentence	BCP 5
Opening Versicles	DON 2
Invitatory & Venite, <i>Tone 1</i>	DON 3
Psalm 19, <i>Tone 2</i>	BCP 363
Lesson	<i>Micah 6:1-8</i>
<i>Benedictus</i>	DON 15
Creed & Preces	DON 17
Collects & Closing Versicles	DON 21

SUNG MASS

¶ Please stand as the bells are rung.

Processional Hymn	Hymn Board
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¶ Please kneel during the Introit.

Introit
Behold, O God, our defender, and look upon the face of thine Anointed: for one day in thy courts is better than a thousand. O how amiable are thy dwellings, thou Lord of hosts; my soul hath a desire, and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord. *Gloria Patri.*

Collect for Purity	BCP 67
The Decalogue	Hymnal #708
Collect(s) of the Day	BCP 209

Nine months ago, Mary was conceived in the womb of her mother, St. Anne, by her father St. Joachim. The Feast of that Conception, December 8th, is a much greater Feast than today's; but we recall Mary's birthday, too--the birth of the woman destined by God from the beginning of time to be born of the House of David and the Tribe of Judah, the woman whose enmity toward Satan was spoken of as far back as Genesis, the woman whom St. John saw crowned with stars and with the moon at her feet, the woman whom God chose to bear His Son and bring life to the world. With today's Feast, the line between the Old and New Testaments has been crossed; the New Covenant is imminent!

Today's Feast is one of only three birthdays honoured in the liturgical year (the others being that of St. John Baptist and of Jesus Christ Himself, all three born without sin). So ancient is this feast, that the Orthodox Churches of the East reckon September 8th as the beginning of the Church's Year (whereas in the West it is the First Sunday in Advent). We know little about Mary's birth and youth, with most of our information coming from the apocryphal *Gospel of the Nativity of Mary* (translated from the Hebrew by St. Jerome, A.D. 340-420), the *Protevangelium of St. James* (dated to ca. A.D. 125), and the visions of various mystics through the years.

“The birth of her, whose Child was marvellous, was above nature and understanding, and it was salvation to the world; her death was glorious, and truly a sacred feast. The Father predestined her, the prophets foretold her through the Holy Ghost. His sanctifying power overshadowed her, cleansed and made her holy, and, as it were, predestined her. Then Thou, Word of the Father, not dwelling in place, didst invite the lowliness of our nature to be united to the immeasurable greatness of Thy inscrutable Godhead. Thou, who didst take flesh of the Blessed Virgin, vivified by a reasoning soul, having first abided in her undefiled and immaculate womb, creating Thyself, and causing her to exist in Thee, didst become perfect man,, not ceasing to be perfect God, equal to Thy Father, but taking upon Thyself our weakness through ineffable goodness. Through it Thou art one Christ, one Lord, one Son of God, and man at the same time, perfect God and perfect man, wholly God and wholly man, one Substance from two perfect natures, the Godhead and the manhood. And in two perfect natures, the divine and the human, God is not

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Erickson Baptism Today

Congratulations to the Erickson family on the baptism of their youngest child, Christopher Michael, today at the 9:00 a.m. liturgy! May all things belonging to the Spirit live and grow in him; and, may he have power and strength to have victory, and to triumph, against the devil, the world, and the flesh. Welcome to the newest member of Christ's Church!

Men's Fellowship Group

Attention, gentlemen of the parish! Remember that the first meeting of St. Luke's new monthly men's meetup group is this Tuesday, September 7th at 7:30 p.m. Joe McRoy will be hosting at 661 Hampton Circle, North Augusta, SC 29841. Please inquire with Father if you are planning to attend. Thank you for your consideration!

Altar Guild Meeting

The next Altar Guild meeting has been rescheduled for this Friday September 10 at 11:00 a.m. We will also have a mini-workday at this time to work on the altar linens, etc. All current members are encouraged to attend, as well as former members and any who are interested in joining this ministry!

Vestry Meeting

Next Sunday, September 12 between the 9:00 a.m. Holy Communion and the 10:30 a.m. Sung Mattins, for all wardens, officers, and vestry members. Please be present and ready for the meeting no later than 10:00. Thank you for your cooperation!

Organ Campaign

Our campaign to raise funds to upgrade our organ has commenced. Please see brochures on the table in the narthex.

UPCOMING SERVICE & STUDY SCHEDULE

- Tuesday, September 7: **Sung Mattins** and breakfast at 8:30 AM
- Wednesday, September 8: NATIVITY BVM. **Evensong** at 6:30 PM; followed by Supper & Study.
- Thursday, September 9: **Low Mass** at 11:30 AM.
- Sunday, September 12: TRINITY XV. **Low Mass** at 9:00 AM. **Sung Mattins** at 10:30 AM. **Sung Mass** at 11:00 AM

PRAYER LIST

Jim, Sam, Laura, Juliet & child, Levine, Marti, Mac, Beverly, Tom, Julia, Lynn, Benita, Leslie, William, Ernie, Ruth, Kristi, James, Luther family, Amy, Lamar, Penny, Hope, Marsha, Stephanie, Becky, Norah, Kevin, Elizabeth, Michael, Robin, Ronnie, Michi, Steven, Todd, Bryan, Jacquie, Lecia, Diann, Donna, David, Jonathan, Stephen, Kathie, Alex, Carol, Nancy, Jeremy, Marie, Richard, Rich, Tommy, Grace, Naysel, Althea, Jeannine, Beth, Judy, Craig, Joe, Ricie, Mark

¶ **Please be seated.**

The Epistle

BCP 209

¶ **Please stand for the Gradual and Hymn.**

Gradual & Alleluia

It is better to trust in the Lord, than to put any confidence in man. It is better to trust in the Lord, than to put any confidence in princes.



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O come, let us sing unto the Lord: let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation. ALLELUIA.

Gospel Hymn

Hymn Board

The Gospel

BCP 209

Nicene Creed

BCP 71

¶ **The Creed will be monotoned together.**

Sermon

¶ **Please stand for the Offertory Sentence and Hymn.**

Offertory Sentence

The Angel of the Lord tarrieth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them: O taste, and see, how gracious is the Lord.

Offertory Hymn

Hymn Board

Presentation of Alms

Hymnal #139

Orate Fratres

℣. Pray, brethren, that this my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the Father almighty.

℟. *May the Lord receive the sacrifice at thy hands for the praise and glory of his name, both to our benefit, and that of all his holy Church.*

¶ **Please kneel.**

Prayer for the Whole State of Christ's Church

BCP 74

General Confession & Comfortable Words

BCP 75

Sursum Corda and Preface

Hymnal #734

Sanctus et Benedictus

Hymnal #799

The Canon of the Mass

BCP 80

The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal #722

¶ The Priest alone intones the words “Our Father,” and we join at “who art in heaven”.



Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

The Pax Domini
Prayer of Humble Access
Agnus Dei
Ecce Agnus Dei

BCP 82
Hymnal #749

℣. Behold the Lamb of God. Behold Him that taketh away the sins of the world.
℟. *Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof; but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed. (Said thrice)*

The Holy Communion

¶ **Any baptized Christian who is a regular communicant in the Anglican, Orthodox, or Roman Catholic traditions is invited to receive the Blessed Sacrament. If you are unable or do not wish to receive the Holy Communion, you may approach with your arms crossed over your chest, and the priest will extend you a blessing. Whilst in your pew, please remain in quiet prayer.**

Communion Sentence

Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and all things shall be added unto you, saith the Lord.

¶ Please kneel for the hymn.

Communion Hymn
Communion Thanksgiving

Hymn Board
BCP 83

¶ Please stand.

Gloria in excelsis (Scottish chant)

Hymnal #739

¶ Please kneel.

Post-Communion Collect
Dismissal and Blessing

BCP 84

¶ Please stand for the final Hymn.

Hymn at the Retiring Procession

Hymn Board

¶ **During the Organ Voluntary, you may kneel or be seated. We ask that you remain in quiet prayer, and suggest that you make your Communion Thanksgiving at this time. Suitable devotions may be found on pg. 100ff of *St. Augustine's Prayer Book*, and at the bottom of this page. Please wait until arriving in the Parish Hall before carrying on conversations with others. Thank you for your assistance as we strive to make St. Luke's a place of prayer, reverence, and peace.**

Announcements, Parish Notices, and Special Occasion Blessings

Thanksgiving Prayer for the Holy Communion

I RENDER thanks unto thee, most gracious Lord Jesus Christ, true Light, the salvation of believers, the solace and hope of all the sorrowful, the joy of the Angels; that thou hast vouchsafed this day to feed my thy servant, a miserable and great sinner, with thy most sacred Body and Blood. Wherefore I, most miserable and tainted with numberless faults, with tearful prayers do implore thy most tender mercy and great clemency, that this most sweet refreshment, this high and incomprehensible Communion, may not be to me for Judgement of my soul; but may profit me as a remedy for driving out all the deceit and wickedness of the devil's guile, so that no iniquity of his may dominate me in my heart, body, soul, and senses; but that thy mercy may bring me to the heavenly feast of the Angels, where thou art true blessedness, glorious light, and everlasting joy. Amen.